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Prayers and Scripture

Thoughts and Meditations

Prayer adopted by Standing Committee when we meet

*Grant us a vision, Lord, to reach out beyond ourselves
To see what we can achieve,
To share our lives with others
To stretch our capabilities,
To increase our sense of purpose
To be aware of where we can help
To be sensitive to Your presence
To give heed to Your constant call*

Composed by David Adams



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ARE YOU LISTENING? – by Max Lucado

Everyone who asks will receive, everyone who searches will find – MATTHEW 7:8

Once there was a man who dared God to speak: *Burn the bush like you did for Moses, God – and I will follow. Collapse the walls like you did for Joshua, God – and I will fight. Still the waves like you did on Galilee God. And I will listen.*

And so the man sat by a bush, near a wall, close to the sea and waited for God to speak.

And God heard the man, so God answered. He sent fire, not for a bush but for the church. He brought down a wall, not of brick but of sin. He stilled a storm, not of the sea, but of a soul.

And God waited for the man to respond. And he waited, and waited.

But because the man was looking at bushes, not hearts; bricks and not lives, seas and not souls, he decided that God had done nothing. Finally he looked to God and asked, *“Have You lost your power?”*

And God looked at him and said *“Have you lost your hearing?”*

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COME AND SEE

Nathaniel said to Philip, *“Can anything good come from Nazareth?”*

Philip answered *“Come and see”* (John 1:46)

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Come and see. He avoids no seeker. He ignores no probe. He fears no search.

Come and see

Extract from Max Lucado

LEADERSHIP – BY DEE BERNHARDT

To be a leader is to be vulnerable – to meet the disapproving stares of others with the joy and certainty of God’s infinite love

To be a leader is to be imperfect – to enjoy the enriching process of a new challenge with the hope and confidence of the Master

To be a leader is to be naïve – to believe the very best of all people in the love and acceptance of our Saviour

To be a leader is to be honest – to own our sinfulness with the sincerity and authenticity of the Spirit

To be a leader is to be humble – to give the inestimable gift of flexibility with the grace and forgiveness of God

To be a leader is to be whole – to know the startling reality that I am central, yet peripheral, in God’s plan for the world

To be a leader is to be unique – to accept the wonderful gift of self, in the knowledge and understanding of community

To be a leader is to be free – to welcome recurring waves of change with the awe and wonder of a child

To be a leader is empowering – to share the exhilarating power of information in the establishment of inter-connectedness

To be a leader is to be weak – to understand that one can rest in the hollow of God’s hand only in the total yielding and complete trusting of my child’s heart.

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Ongoing Prayers are requested for:-

Wakefield Diocese as they prepare to begin the process of preparing for the National Ultreya in 2013 & those dioceses who are prayerfully considering hosting the 2014 National Ultreya!

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Prayers Please

Prayers please for:-

- ◆ Bishop Idris Jones as he takes up his new and challenging role in the city of Glasgow
- ◆ Rev’d Hugh Burgess of St. Asaph Diocese as successor to Bishop Idris as National Spiritual Director of BACC. Rev’d Hugh Burges takes over the Role as BACC National Spiritual Director in May 2013



- ◆ Wakefield Cursillistas as they plan the 2013 National Ultreya in September
- ◆ Those Cursillistas who are sick in mind body or spirit at this time
- ◆ The troubled places of this world

Those -

- ◆ without jobs to go to; without hope; the bereaved; the abused; the lonely; the work of Kairos; volunteers everywhere.

For the relatives and friends of recently deceased Cursillistas, and those whose anniversaries occur about this time. I am mindful that there may be others I have not been told about, and so we pray to God for all:-

MAY THEY REST IN PEACE AND RISE IN GLORY

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A Shockwave of Prayer

1-3 March saw young people around the world uniting in prayer for the persecuted church. Groups prayed in the States, Norway, Brazil, Côte D'Ivoire - to name a few - creating a shockwave of prayer around the world. Praying for countries where faith costs the most. Like Somalia. An Arab World country, Somalia is one of the hardest places on earth to be a Christian.

Please pray:

- ◆ That Shockwave created a real shockwave in the lives of the young people involved: that they found the joy and power of prayer.
- ◆ That the shockwave of prayers were felt across the nations where faith costs the most: that God's will be done and that Christians in those countries will know He is at work
- ◆ For those who persecute Christians - that their hearts will be opened for God

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From the National Spiritual Director, Rt. Rev'd Idris Jones:-



It has been wonderfully encouraging to meet with Bishops who welcome the chance to include Cursillo among the variety of ways in which the church can deepen the commitment of Christians and empower them for faithful discipleship in the various communities of which they are a part . That is what Cursillo offers – to be of service wherever that is helpful and not to be “over the top” about what we have to offer or about Cursillo being the only way . We come with the simple commendation that Cursillo has been for us a boost in our own discipleship , and a way of assisting in mission in the parish and the diocese.

There is a temptation that I certainly am a prey to about wishing that our approach to the world - call it evangelisation or bearing witness – could be more assertive in the face of continuing criticism and cynical dismissal of faith . Many Christians feel that they are “on the back foot” when it comes to commending the way of Jesus in our society today but I also believe that it would be wrong to give in to that temptation.

I think it was Archbishop Robert Runcie who used the illustration from a swimming pool about all the noise and splash usually coming from the shallow end of the pool rather than the deep end . It is certainly true that we can be misled into thinking that more noise gives the impression of validity or conveys a generalised feeling about something. It is true that we live in what feels to be a more secularised age yet if this is the whole story then why are churches and cathedrals still experiencing surge in attendance for Christmas services, but at Easter as well ?

There is plenty of evidence to support the view that people are experiencing a genuine spiritual hunger which they don't see being met in the day to day life of their local church- or perhaps they have not really tried it to find out . That is why Cursillo and the other ways of helping in outreach have a role to play in the future life of the church and my experience of Cursillo is still that it helps us to be disciples of Jesus in a straightforward and down to earth way that makes the gospel accessible to everyone .

So a simple message . Without pretending that there are no challenges and that we don't need to be open to doing things better when we can lets concentrate on the blessings that we have and that we experience rather than on what we haven't got and would like to have!

God really is ‘working God's purpose out as year succeeds to year’ .

ULTREYA
+Idris

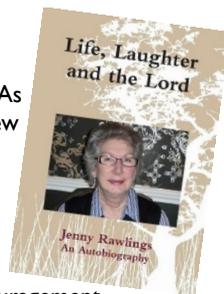
Book Reviews

Readers may recall me saying what a brilliant response we had re the books enjoyed and recommended during summer this year. This time we begin with two from Roger Rawlings, from Canterbury Cursillo:-

“life, Laughter and The Lord”

A biographical story of a shepherd’s daughter raised on Romney. As the title suggests it is life with much laughter, and how her faith grew through the years

(www.lulu.com) Will connect you to the author; Roger’s wife.



Look out for “The Rhythm of the Lord”

Which is the Bible in verse with illustrations; intended as an encouragement for children but reviewers have been enthusiastic that this is also for adults.

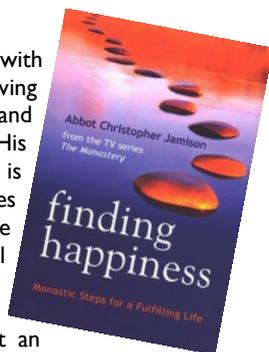
We are told Bishop Idris thought many parts could be adapted as songs.

Hopefully to be published by the end of 2012.

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Finding Happiness – Monastic Steps for a Fulfilling Life by Abbott Christopher Jamison

Abbot Jamison writes in a beautifully simple and clear style but with depth and wisdom that is inspirational. His insight into modern living and culture is breath-taking and he suggests long used monastic and spiritual solutions to help us find a more life giving way forward. His summary of the spirituality of the desert fathers and mothers is concise and accessible, and he not only shares how this inspires monks to find a deeply spiritual path, but invites us all to take seriously the internal spiritual life with very down to earth practical illustrations and suggestions. This is not a blue print of how to avoid the seven deadly sins (he calls them the eight thoughts – gluttony, lust, greed, anger, sadness, spiritual apathy, vanity and pride) but an invitation to make the choice to pursue the eight spiritual virtues (moderation, chaste love, generosity, gentleness, gladness, spiritual awareness, magnanimity and humility). I found this a moving, challenging and renewing book, and would recommend it to anyone who has any sense of longing for something to renew their spiritual life.



Judy Craig Peck August 2012

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Why not share the best?

It's been a long tradition at CLWs that delegates are asked to bring with them samples of their own Diocesan literature. This has ranged from application forms for week-ends, to newsletters, leaflets introducing clergy to Cursillo, samples of week-end services, programmes for Days of Deeper Understanding and many many more. These have then been displayed for everyone to look at and spare copies have been taken away.

More and more recently people have asked how they might get hold of electronic copies which they then might adapt for their own Dioceses (the old idea of why re-invent the wheel?). I've taken to leaving my Cursillo national directory on the table and suggesting people take down the details of someone from the Diocese they're interested in, for example someone on the Secretariat responsible for communications or the newsletter, so that they can contact them directly after the CLW. However, at any one CLW I have only a small sample of literature, mainly dependent on who is there and a few things I've managed to save from previous week-ends.

At a recent BACC Standing Committee meeting we discussed how we might encourage a greater sharing of this literature. After much discussion we decided it should be left to individual Dioceses to put anything they are willing for others to look at or share on their website in whatever way they like.



At CLWs we would continue to have some hard copies to look at but I would also give all delegates a list of Diocesan websites where they might find other ideas.

So if you have an active website which you would be happy for other Cursillistas to look at, and where you might at some stage get round to putting some of the literature you're particularly pleased with, could you just e mail me your website address please, to janwatts2@btinternet.com.

I do want to make it clear that we're not talking here about official BACC publications which can only be bought as hard copies, but about Diocesan literature which Cursillistas use locally.

With very grateful thanks.

Jan Watts
CLW Convenor

Cursillo Leaders' Workshops (CLW) Dates For Your Diary

05 -07th July 2013 @ Wistaston Hall,

Crewe, Cheshire

18 – 20th Oct. 2013 @ Shallowford

House, Stone

14-16th March 2014 @ Holland House,

Crothorne,

Worcs



For all other information regarding Cursillo Leaders' Workshops, please contact

MRS. JAN WATTS, CLW CONVENOR

e mail janwatts2@btinternet.com phone no. 01723 360410

Should you need application forms just e mail me at the above address.

BACC RESOURCE MANUAL

At the February 2013 Standing Committee meeting, Jan Watts, CLW Convenor, led those who were in attendance through the proposed rewrite of the CLW booklet to bring it up to date.

If you have a BACC Resource Manual, it might be worthwhile checking it against the Resources list printed in BACC Pages and on the BACC Website, to ensure you have the latest copies of the booklet.

In particular you may wish to note there are two new booklets, one on Gifting, and one on 'Music in Cursillo' published in 2012 and now available from Resources

Lyn's Lines



Dear Friends, On behalf of all the Standing Committee members, I send greetings and warmest New Year wishes for 2013. As we approach the early spring, much spiritual change is taking place in British Anglican Cursillo. The first shoots of new growth are waiting patiently for the right time to come through and it is exciting to know that we have such positive expectations. For instance, during the coming year, we will be seeking a new President to take over from me in 2014. Please do pray for that process to be a smooth operation. Bishop Idris will be stepping away from the huge responsibility of the National Spiritual Director post in May this year; after doing such a wonderful job of leading BAC for the last three years. During that period he has given us much to consider in the thought-provoking studies at the AGM meetings and the November Full Councils. Many of you have shared with me that it has been a privilege for you to listen and learn through the wisdom and grace which Bishop Idris displays while teaching and leading. We have all been blessed by his leadership, and I know many of you will want to be there in May at our AGM to thank him for being such an approachable and considerate NSD. We have another gifting to thank God for, in that St. David's is gifting to Swansea and Brecon Diocese, this process is being led by Ken Benison, Gifting Liaison Officer, of St. Asaph Diocese. We look forward to our 'home' Pilgrimage in Durham in August, when Rev'd John McManners will offer some exceptional teaching on Northern Saints and the Lindisfarne Gospels; if you haven't booked yet but want to be there, do it soon!

So many Cursillistas I have met over the last couple of years have said they wish their Diocese could be 're-gifted' such as Worcester, Bangor, Gloucester, and others. There is nothing to stop this happening, and I urge every Cursillista to pray for a spiritual re-awakening of at least 40 Cursillistas in those Dioceses which have ceased. When this happens, we will joyfully welcome them back into the fellowship shared amongst the current Dioceses. Perhaps we should individually ask ourselves the question of whether we are doing all we can to grow disciples for Christ? Encouragement contains Serotonin (the same as chocolate – it makes you feel good). Bless you dear reader, for all you are doing to expand our 'family' in Jesus name.

Having recently moved into my new home, I have as my constant companions on weekdays, a succession of workmen who are altering and building etc., There is a garden out there under the debris, and I am longing for the day when they are finished and I am free to make a start on redesigning the space – but first I will have to get rid of the weeds and dead growth, then prune the neglected bushes and plants before we can even begin to build up again. I have to keep in my head a vision of my hopes for the garden space, and nurture it in my heart so that spiritually, it will be a blessed oasis to those who share it with me in times to come. The workmen have their work to complete with an ideal goal in mind; I have my work yet to start in the garden (don't ask about the inside of the home!) and I look forward with hope and anticipation to creating a place of joy and peace. I feel sure that Bishop Idris will also be looking forward to 'new pastures' in which to take the Word

of God to others and I am also sure that it will be undertaken with hope and joy.

Whatever you are hoping to build in your spiritual world through faith in our amazing God, can I set you a challenge as we stand on the doorstep of 2013? Look to introducing at least one Christian to Cursillo this year. You know they are worth it!

With love and prayers in Christ Jesus,

Lyn



“Cursillo is a movement of the Church”

DAYS OF DEEPER UNDERSTANDING & CLERGY TASTER DAYS

One of the greatest joys of Cursillo is the sharing, and both Bishop Idris and I value to the time we spend with those Dioceses who invite us to visit those of you who wish to have a good clear picture of what DDU's and Clergy Taster Days are meant to be, in accordance with the BACC Constitution.

If you would like to hold a Day of Deeper Understanding, or help to recruit new clergy into the role of S.A's (or merely let them experience the Cursillo method) then do please get in touch with me. Only recently, Ely Diocese hosted a Clergy Taster Day which was attended by 3 Bishops and 27 Clergy as delegates from that region of the UK. It was a great blessing on all who were present.

It is also gratifying to be able to guide Dioceses through the minefield of what is and is not acceptable under our UK Cursillo Licence.

We, as a whole community, can only build up Cursillo and Cursillistas in Dioceses if they are fed the right spiritual food; Sadly some Cursillo Dioceses are now no longer functioning therefore their Cursillista's are starved of that joy and spiritual comfort.

We need to work hard at our faith, and so if you feel God is calling you to a leadership role, then firstly enrol on a Cursillo Leader's Weekend through Jan Watts, which will help you to discern what God is calling you to do.

Every person on a Secretariat in a Cursillo Diocese, should be actively seeking their replacement long before their 3-year role is finished. Our aim in Cursillo is to 'grow' leaders, enabling them to be all they can in the name of Jesus Christ.

We look forward to hearing from you.

Lyn

February 2013 - Standing Committee Report

We met in Yorkshire amidst sunshine and flurries of snow. Only one member had to send apologies for non-attendance. The day began at 09:30hrs with morning prayer led by Bishop Idris, followed by Group Reunion – using Rev'd Hugh Burgess' idea of putting prayer, study and action together. The President made an appeal for Diocesan venues and hosts for the meetings in 2013 and 2014. This will be repeated at the AGM. The Officers updated the full committee on their particular role or task they had volunteered to do. Much work has been done since the last meeting in November. CLW's are well received and encouragement to Dioceses to send all potential leaders is to be continued.

A meeting with Wakefield Diocese was held on the day before the Standing Committee Meeting, which went well and the National in September promises to be a very spiritually uplifting experience for those attending.

Lyn Radcliffe(President) spoke of the Gifting from St. David's to Swansea and Brecon Diocese, ably led by Ken Benison of St. Asaph.

The whole afternoon was taken up by the work on future updating of the BACC Manual booklets.

Lyn Radcliffe 26.2.13

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Floating Group Reunion I felt closest to Christ when...

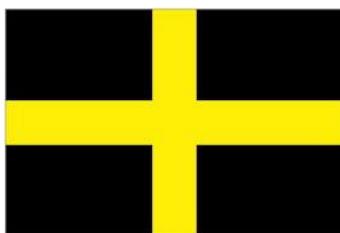
At our Ash Wednesday service we built a cairn of individual stones together at the foot of the altar. This reminded me of Joshua 4 v.1-7 which shows that when we're moving into new territory for God it is good to put down our own "memorials" and remember his faithfulness to us in the past at times when we have been afraid, or felt defeated or lost. *Jan Watts*

Elizabeth Kubler-Ross said people are like stained glass windows 'They sparkle and shine when the sun is out, but when darkness sets in their true beauty is revealed only if there is a light from within'. 2 Corinthians 3:18

Julie Robinson-Judd

Attached is the photo of the prayer by the candle stand in the Basilica of Notre Dame in Boulogne sur Mer, France. This was the subject of my "virtuous circle" in our group reunion at Barnsley. *Billy Hollis*





Flag of St. David “Light in the Darkness”

Cambodia

I will be flying out to join Love146 as a volunteer on the 1st October 2012 and my work will be based in the red light district with 'Precious Women Ministries' who reach out to all who live and work there in the capital Phnom Penh. They are opening up a small cafe/kiosk that is called 'Light Hearted cafe' and the organisation has offered me the opportunity to help run it. I will be working with two people from Cambodia, along with other volunteers. This cafe is to be a place of prayer and where different forms of outreach can take place. It is also to be a safe place for people from the local community to come and get the necessary help they require or just sit and have an ice cream. Spiritually we are pitching a tent in the enemy's back yard and so your prayers are very much needed, not only for me but for all who are involved in this organisation.

This is a totally new work and things will probably change as we seek God for His direction and divine appointments with the people that live and work there.

Please take a few minutes to visit www.love146.org and gain insight into what they are doing.

I would like to thank everyone who has supported me prayerfully and financially since last November, when God first got my attention about going to Cambodia. It has been a truly amazing walk of faith so far and I am so excited about what God has in store for Cambodia.

My email address is wendy.delta@hotmail.co.uk if you would like my prayer letter sent to you or you believe God is calling you to get involved in some way.

Thank you all again
God bless
Wendy Williams

Happy New Year!

I just want to thank you for your support for the work I am involved in here in Cambodia. It does feel like home and I sense that I will be out here for a few years as the work continues in the red light district of Phnom Penh. Three people have commented that it is ground breaking spiritually and it does feel like that. There are no figures or statistics for people to look at; however the impact of God's presence here is evident. Not everyone is happy that we are here and we sometimes get reactions from certain individuals as they leave the bars. On the other hand, just last night two ladies that work in one of the most popular night clubs dropped in and said they wanted out and one even said she wanted to help other girls.

For the last four weeks We (good friend and prayer partner from the UK) have been on a prayer trip, starting off in Bangkok where we met with another ministry that is also involved in the red light area there. They are also going to open a café and prayer room. I believe I will be able to visit again and go out and gain more experience in street outreach.

Next I flew to Hanoi (capital of Vietnam) and met up with Ilzzie, then we went up north into the mountain area called Sappa. I found this place to be spiritually oppressive, I had some interesting dreams. Sappa is very near to the border with China and so it was interesting to see some of the ethnic tribes. They still practice ancestral worship involving sacrifice. As beautiful as it was I was glad when my time there was up.

We returned to Hanoi and then over the course of the next 10 days travelled by train down to the capital of Ho Chi Min City or Saigon, as 70% of the population still call it.

In Da Nang (half way down on the coast of Vietnam) is where I believe God shared with me that He was bringing revival. Later that day we were in Hoi An (half an hour away) where we had a room booked and as we walked around the place we came across a little church in a small street. We met a lovely humble man of God who was the pastor. As we prayed together before we left I sensed God say He was going to work through this pastor when He brings the revival. I will stay in touch with this pastor and seek to encourage him in the work he is doing.

Ho Chi Min was a great place but the traffic was something else, it made Phnom Penh seem quiet. When you cross the road you just walk out and face this wall of mopeds, but because you keep walking, they miss you. Psalm 91!!

We travelled around the Mekong Delta, which borders Cambodia and then took a fast boat from Vietnam to Cambodia.

The borders both in Vietnam and Cambodia were important on this prayer trip because of the human trafficking issues.

Cambodia involved more of the spiritual issues to do with the country especially around

Ankor Wat just outside Siem Reap. It was here that I met two guys who were part of the WYAM team based there, they were praying in and around the area. They were encouraged to hear that God is sending people to Cambodia to pray etc.

Over the next couple of months I will be meeting up with some other ministries and see how we can work together. I believe the Message Parlour is to be available to other ministries who work the riverfront area where there are a lot of children at risk and 'ladies working', some for as little as a dollar or around 75 pence.

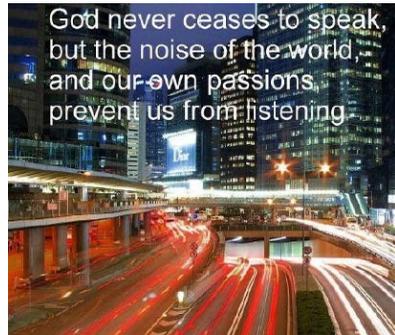
Please pray as the Holy Spirit leads and as follows;

- Please pray that we know God's will and continue to love the ones who He puts in front of us and the protection of innocent lives.
- That He will call more workers to the Message Parlour and this area.
- For continued strength enabling us continue in the work and to be able to work together to glorify God.
- Please pray for patience and endurance when the days are especially hard and our flesh wants to walk away.

Thank you again for all your support and please feel free to send any words or pictures God may give you.

If anyone feels challenged to come and join us in this work, please contact me and we can have a chat about what is involved, Also if you have a prophetic gifting and you are willing to let God use that gifting (or you are new to the gifting) here on the streets and in this community, please contact me. I believe God wants me to encourage that gifting in others and eventually have a team that allows God to freely use the gift in them out here and radically impact individuals.

Love and prayers, Wendy Williams



China Calling

It all began 20 years ago, whilst at an Evangelist's Conference at Swanwick. One of the speakers was talking about the Underground church in China and how it was the fastest growing church in the world. People, mainly young women in their late teens / early twenties, were becoming Christians and they would almost immediately go on an intensive six week Bible course and then be sent all over China with the equivalent of £1 in their pockets. They were told to share Jesus with whoever would listen and to move from place to place. Even now I can remember how much it moved me and I thought I would love to meet some of these people.



Move forward 20 years to 2012 an opportunity for me to take a sabbatical, I was asked what I would like to do and said well if the sky was the limit I would like to visit Christians in the underground church in China but of course you can't exactly put that into 'Google' and come up with an answer. Anyhow I found a company that does do a trip covering what I wanted to do. I took the last place on the trip and the weekend I announced at church I was taking a sabbatical not saying anything, at that point, someone enquired as to what I was doing and gave me a cheque which more than covered the cost of the trip.

So off I went to China taking Christian literature in my suitcase as well as a few clothes. At Beijing airport I had to go through customs and I could see there were customs officials to negotiate. I was praying like I had never prayed before, that I would not get stopped. I realised my passport was in my money belt so I stopped to remove it, two couples went past me and were immediately pulled to the side, I was simply waved through customs with out the official even glancing at my passport.

During my time there I met Christian believers; there was one place we went to in particular where the autonomous government is very hard on Christians. One lady, in her early 50s, had been in prison for seven weeks earlier on in the year. When she was arrested she was not charged with anything and each day, whilst in prison, would have about half a pint of water and a small piece of bread. As tears trickled down her face she also simply said 'and I lost my dignity.' It was all very moving but, for me, the thing which spoke most was the joy on their faces and the love and light shining from their eyes, even this lady. It really was something to behold and the fact that somehow those little things we get so hung up about in our churches, like who has moved the candle sticks 2 inches across the altar simply do not matter to them. I find it interesting that these believers do not pray for persecution to be removed but rather they would be able to endure it and stay faithful to Jesus. What a lot we could learn from them, it was a truly humbling experience and one that will remain with me for the rest of my life. I know it has made me stop and think what is important and to remind myself over and again, in the words of the Matt Redmond song, 'It's all about you Jesus.'

Elaine Jones Cumbria # 16

What's with the scarf then?

This is the comment we have heard so often since the wonderful picture of our wedding appeared on the front of the Messenger magazine. The scarf is important to David and I so it warrants an explanation.



We were married on 7th July and what a day it was. The sun shone, we all laughed, sang and praised God for bringing us together as man and wife, ready to do his will. We have so much to be grateful for, especially to Cursillo for bringing us together, hence the scarf. It represents the rainbow of God's promise to Noah of His love for all time; as such Cursillo uses the rainbow and butterflies as their logos.

What is Cursillo, I hear you say?

It is an evangelical part of Anglicanism originating in the Catholic Church way back in the Spanish Civil War. Returning fighters were restless in their villages. The priests felt they needed reminding about God's love for all so study and prayer enabled them to rededicate their lives to the service of God.

With adjustments to accommodate our modern life, people who wish for a closer walk with God come together to remind themselves through the talks and example of previous Cursillo pilgrims of why they love God.

Lincoln Cursillo holds a weekend each year. About 14 pilgrims come together, held in love and prayer by others all over the country, to remind themselves of what God means to them. They are encouraged to grow in the knowledge that serving Him is freedom, returning to their parishes equipped to know and share God's love. Encouragement continues by means of local groups regularly meeting to share hopes and fears.

David and I encourage you to look deeper at Cursillo and walk more closely with God.

By Angela Simcox née O'Hare

Group Reunion With A Difference

Our group reunion meets fortnightly and has done so for many years.

We encourage each other in our Christian lives and follow the card, pray and support each other. At our last meeting we had decided to watch a DVD instead of our normal meeting. The DVD in question was *The Way* with Martin Sheen in the starring role.

for two hours we did not move or speak.

It is a film of meaning, sadness and hope.

Martin Sheen plays Tom an eye surgeon who comes to France to collect the remains of his adult son [played by his real life son Emilio Estvez] killed in the Pyrenees while walking “The Camino de Santiago” or as we know it “The Way of St James”



From the start of the film it is clear that Tom’s relationship with his son is difficult and that he never understood him.

In his grief and sadness Tom decides to embark on the pilgrimage himself to try and get to know him better. Tom leaves his life in California behind and armed only with his son’s backpack and guidebook he journeys along the 800km.pigrimage to the shrine of St James. Although he wishes to travel alone with his thoughts and his flashback memories of his son he is joined by other pilgrims, an angry Dutchman, a young American girl with a drug problem, and an Irish Journalist who is writing profusely about his fellow pilgrims.

Eventually after many difficult situations Tom and his companions reach the shrine and enter the church of St. James and realise the greater meaning in their lives and the way in which each of them has altered along The Camino.

It was a very special Group Reunion and gave us all food for thought in a different way. ULTREYA!

Pamela Pittman
Sandra Harrison
Barbara Walker
Rita Beaumont
Gwen Southern

Kairos UK

The mission of Kairos Prison Ministry is to bring Christ's love and forgiveness to all imprisoned individuals, their families, and those who work with them, and to assist in the transition of becoming a productive citizen.



Kairos UK decided in the Autumn that we needed to appoint a part-time National Coordinator to take on the expansion of the ministry. We had enough funds for a limited period, and are hoping that it may be easier to get a grant to extend a post which is already operating. The job has been advertised on the internet. Please pray for the right selection, and continuing funding.

KAIROS TORCH: Feltham YOI, Middlesex

Joe McNemar arrived in the UK and gave an excellent Torch Presentation at Feltham in early December. Oasis Church offered their facilities free of charge, and they were ideal! Over 30 people attended. A second Torch Presentation took place on the 26 January. It is hoped that a provisional date for Feltham #1 to start in Summer 2013 will be set soon.



The Kairos UK website: www.kairosuk.org continues to be improved as time permits. Why not pay another visit?

NB: The date of the Kairos UK AGM has been rearranged (because of the Bank Holiday), and will now take place on **Saturday 27 April 2013** venue to be advised.

Please keep the date free and pray for men & women of calibre to offer to serve.

KAIROS MINISTRY... PLEASE PRAY FOR:

Praise God

- ◆ For the excellent Kairos Torch Presentation on 8 December: the Oasis Church facilities were just what we needed!
- ◆ For the assistance & support given by Oasis Church.
- ◆ For the ten year old visitor, who offered her assistance to get lunch ready, without whom it could not have been done in the time!
- ◆ For the 33 folk who attended, despite seasonal pressures.
- ◆ For the many offers to help with Torch in different ways.
- ◆ For Joe McNemar, who shared his expertise re Torch so clearly, and has offered to come back from the States in 2013 to act as "Advising Leader" of Feltham Torch #1.

Pray:

- ◆ For all youngsters in prison over Christmas.
- ◆ For the Chaplaincy at Feltham as they shepherd their flock.
- ◆ For a Kairos Torch Presentation planned for 26 January, for those who could not attend the first.
- ◆ For more people to feel called to the Kairos Torch ministry.
- ◆ For wisdom re the leadership of Torch in the UK.
- ◆ For funding for the Torch ministry.
- ◆ For security clearance for all Kairos Torch volunteers: clearance can take between 4-6 months!

Prayers for Whitemoor prisoners

This Kairos Inside event starts at 16h30 on Monday 18 March 2013 and ends with the closing by 16h30 on Friday 22 March 2013. We plan to have 24 participants - names will be emailed at the end of the month. The leader is Richard Stephens.

UPDATES FOR YOUR DIARIES



For those of you who will be in post as BACC Reps., Lay Directors and Spiritual Directors; these are the meetings dates of BACC Councils .

- ◆ 11th May, 2013 - Annual General Meeting @ Ardsley House, Barnsley
- ◆ 17th November, 2013 @ Wingerworth, Chesterfield

OTHER DATES:

- ◆ 7th September, 2013 National Ultreya @ Wakefield Cathedral

CLWs

- ◆ 5th - 7th July, 2013 @ Wistaston Hall, Crewe
- ◆ 18th - 20th October, 2013 @ Shallowford, Staffs
- ◆ 14th - 16th March, 2014 @ Holland House, Worcs



The latest re-write of the Gifting Booklet (2012) is now available as is a new booklet - **Music and Cursillo (2012)**. Also, If you have a BACC Resource Manual, please check it against the list below to ensure you have the latest copy of the booklet.

BACC RESOURCES PRICE LIST

RESOURCE MANUAL	Unit Price
Complete Resource Manual (comprising all items in this section)	£ 20.00
Contents list	5p
BACC Constitution and Licensing Agreement 2012	50p
BACC Publications and Styles 2003	10p
Apostolic Message and Team Formation 2005	£ 1.00
Authentic Three Day Weekend 2008	£ 1.00
Cursillo Workshops inc. Clergy Taster Days 2004	£ 1.00
Day of Deeper Understanding 2004	£ 1.00
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Gifting Cursillo – BACC Guidelines 2012	£ 1.00
Group Reunion 2006	£ 1.00
Health and Well-being of the Movement 2004	£ 1.00
Pastoral Plan 2001	£ 1.00
Role of the Clergy in the Cursillo Movement 2006	£ 1.00
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Self-Study Checklist for Secretariats 2005	10p
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Sponsorship 2000	£ 1.00
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Music in Cursillo 2012	£ 1.00
Ultreya 2006	£ 1.00
What is Cursillo? 2001	£ 1.00
BACC – What is it? 2002	10p
OTHER BACC PUBLICATIONS	
Three Fold Leaflet	20p each
A5 Colour Poster	5 for £ 1.00
Group Reunion Card	100 for £4.50 50 for £2.50 or 6p each
Rule of Life Card	100 for £3.50 50 for £2.00 or 5p each
Ultreya Floating Group Reunion Card	10p
Talk outline for Group Reunion talk	25p
Suggestions on Developing and Using a Rule of Life	10p
NEC PUBLICATIONS	
Lay Talk Workbook 2004	£ 3.95
Clergy Talk Workbook 2006	£ 3.95
Spiritual Direction (for Clergy only)	£ 2.75
OTHER RESOURCES	
Cursillo Lapel Badge	£ 1.00 each

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BACC PILGRIMAGE 2013

*20th -23rd August 2013
at
St. John's College,
South Bailey, Durham.*

*(In the shadow of Durham Cathedral and
by the banks of the River Wear)*



Theme:

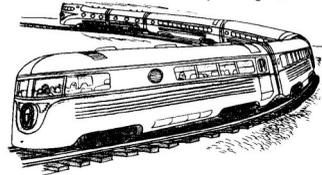
Hild, Cuthbert and the Lindisfarne Gospels

Led by the Revd John McManners, who runs annual retreats on the Northern Saints at Shepherd's Dene Retreat House in Northumberland

Cost: £250 to include visits to Whitby and Holy Island, bed & breakfast for 3 nights, plus 2 lunches and 2 dinners

N.B. Durham is easily accessible by road and rail, but there are NO parking facilities at the College.

The Pilgrimage will involve some steep walks.



Useful websites:

- St. John's College: www.dur.ac.uk/st-johns.college
- Durham Cathedral: www.durhamcathedral.co.uk
- Durham City: www.thisisdurham.com
- Durham Anglican Cursillo: www.durhamcursillo.org.uk

For further information contact: cshennikermajor@hotmail.com

PROVISIONAL ITINERARY

Tuesday 20th August

Arrive from 3pm for welcome, tea/coffee, registration, finding rooms etc.

- 5.15pm: Evensong at the Cathedral.
- 6.00pm: Welcome by the National President, introductions, housekeeping.
- 6.30pm: Ultreya and introductory talk about the Pilgrimage (Northern Saints and the link with the Lindisfarne Gospels and St Hild in particular) at St Oswald's Church, Durham, with floating group reunions and a bring and share meal provided by Durham Cursillistas.
- Compline in St Oswald's Church.
- 9.30pm: Bar open at St John's College.

Wednesday 21st August

- 7.30am: Morning Prayer in St John's College Chapel.
- 8.00am: Breakfast.
- 9.00am: Talk about the visit to sites where St Hild lived and worked; departure for all day visit to Whitby via Hartlepool.
- 12.30 pm: Lunch at St Aidan's Church, Billingham.

- 3.00pm: Whitby Abbey.
- 6:30 pm: Fish and chip supper in Whitby.
Evening prayer/Compline in Leech Hall, St John's College.
- 9.30pm: Bar open.

Thursday 22nd August

- 7.30am: Breakfast.
Early departure for Lindisfarne.
Morning Prayer.
Talk on the connections between Hild and Cuthbert.
Visit to Holy Island (Lindisfarne) to include a guided walk around the island.
- 12.00: Midday prayer at the Church.
Lunch on the island (there are lots of tea rooms and coffee shops and the famous crab sandwiches!).
Leave Lindisfarne by 1.40pm.
- 3.00pm: Tea/coffee and biscuits on return.
- 4.30pm: Visit to see the Lindisfarne Gospels at Durham University Library.
- 7.00pm: Dinner at St John's College.
- 9.00pm: Compline in the Cathedral.
- 9.30pm: Bar open.

Friday 23rd August

- 7.30am: Morning Prayer at Leech Hall.
- 8.00am: Breakfast (rooms to be vacated by 10.00am).
- 9.00am and 10.30am: Guided visits to the Cathedral.
- 12.00noon: Holy Communion in St John's Chapel.
- 1.00pm: Farewell buffet lunch.

All Cursillistas are reminded that they need to book soon if they want to be on the Pilgrimage in Durham during August, details are on the website, and Sally Henniker-Major of Durham Cursillo will be happy to give extensive details to anyone who wishes to be part of a once-in-a-lifetime experience.

The Itinerary is packed full of good things, including a fish supper in Whitby as well as spiritual food in the Cathedral at Durham and a guided tour, including the original Lindisfarne Gospels in all their glory.

Final payment for the Pilgrimage must be paid by the middle of June, so hurry if you want to be part of this.

News, News, News!!

I believe in
GOD.
.. never panic, just pray.

BACC PILGRIMAGE

If you want to take advantage of a break in Durham, staying at St. John's College and enjoying the company of fellow-Cursillistas in August; with an exclusive viewing of the Lindisfarne Gospels and visits to sites where Northern Saints lived and worked, then do get in touch with either Sally-Henniker Major, Durham Cursillo, or look on the Anglican Cursillo web site for details.

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Could your Cursillo Diocese consider hosting the National Ultreya in 2014?
Do you know which member of Standing Committee represents your area of the UK?
How long is it since you 'sponsored' a pilgrim on a Cursillo weekend?

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2013 ULTREYA GB

Hosted by the Diocese of Wakefield

SATURDAY 7th SEPTEMBER

at Wakefield Cathedral

This will be another wonderful occasion - an opportunity to meet friends and Cursillistas from all over Britain. If you have never attended one of these National Ultreyas, do try to come: you *will* enjoy it!



For further information as it becomes available, visit
[https://www.facebook.com/
UkUltreyaWakefield2013](https://www.facebook.com/UkUltreyaWakefield2013)

2013 Ultreya GB - Wakefield Cathedral

Ultreya GB 2013 is being Hosted by Wakefield Anglican Cursillo at the recently restored Cathedral Church of All Saints Wakefield by kind permission of the Dean and Chapter.

The Diocese of Wakefield celebrates its 125th Anniversary in 2013.

Outline of the day:

- ◆ Gathering and Registration Tea / Coffee
- ◆ Worship
- ◆ Group Reunion
- ◆ Talks and Announcements
- ◆ Lunch
- ◆ Walk of Witness
- ◆ Eucharist
- ◆ Tea
- ◆ Evening Event at the Cathedral

Hotels for 7th September 2013

Travelodge Wakefield (this hotel is closest to the Cathedral)

Lower Warrengate, Wakefield WF1 1SA

Premier

Wakefield City North,

Wakefield, Paragon Business Park, Herriot Way, Wakefield WF1 2UJ

Wakefield Central

Thornes Park, Denby Dale Road, Wakefield WF2 8DY

Wakefield South (M1, Jct39)

Calder Park, Denby Dale Road, Wakefield WF4 3BB

Holiday Inn Wakefield M1, Jct. 40

Queens Drive Ossett, Wakefield WF5 9BE

Days Hotel Wakefield M1 Jct 40

Fryers Way, Silkwood Park, Wakefield, WF5 9TJ

In addition to the facebook page, there is a blog site at:

<http://ultreyagb2013.wordpress.com/>

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a movement of the Church
providing a method
by which Christians are empowered
to grow through prayer, study and action
and enabled to share God's love with everyone